IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Yoshio KAJI

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

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Sir:

In response to the "Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)" dated November 15, 2005 (copy enclosed), Applicant submits herewith a copy of the duly executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the subject application. Also enclosed is an Assignment transferring rights herein to Bridgestone Corporation with the appropriate fee.

A check for the statutory late Declaration surcharge of \$130.00 is also attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all additional required fees (except the Issue/Publication Fees) to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this paper is also appended hereto.

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